

that fifteen deaths were recorded last Friday. The government, however, correspondents say, is keeping the fact of the epidemic secret.

Effort to Justify Russia's Action.
ST. PETERSBURG, July 27.—The different organs of the ministry of finance published an identical article on the note of M. De Witte, the minister of finance, regarding the Russian sugar convention. The article declares that the application of increased duties to refined sugar exported from Russia must be regarded as an infringement of existing treaties and that such infringement would serve as a precedent for a whole series of similar cases. The article also answers to "America's arbitrary increase of the sugar duty," the article contends that Russia is justified in taking similar action in analogous cases. Discussing the trust question generally, the article declares that the trusts have caused an infringement of the law and that the government is justified in preventing the development on a sound basis.

Botha Has Faith and Hope.
CAPE TOWN, July 27.—In a recent speech at Paarl, Cape Colony, General Botha said that all of South Africa was under one flag, but that the Boers had not been vanquished. Dark clouds were hanging over him, he said, but faith and hope would guide them through it. Africa was their fatherland, their birthright and their inheritance.

Poles Must Close Their Windows.
BERLIN, July 27.—Various Berlin newspapers assert that the warnings to Emperor William against going to Posen, Prussian Poland, for the army maneuvers, to be held in September, have had the effect of causing an order to be issued that the festivities be confined to strictly military character, and that all windows be closed along the line of march.

Bullets Taken from Methuen's Leg.
LONDON, July 27.—Gen. Lord Methuen, who was wounded and captured by the Boers, and who arrived in England early this month, has undergone a successful operation for the extraction of bullets from his leg.

Cable Notes.
The Petit Bleu, of Brussels, announces that King Leopold has obtained from China a concession of 125 hectares (about 200 acres) of land north of Tien-Tsin. Fifty-two fresh cases of cholera and thirty-eight deaths from the disease were reported in Cairo on Sunday. One English woman has been reported to have died. A dispatch from Brazzaville, French Congo Territory, says Inspector Lemaire, commanding the police in the French Congo, has been assassinated by natives near Libreville.

The body of the late John W. Mackay, who died in London July 25, will be brought to the United States until September. Mrs. Mackay's health forbidding her earlier departure.

The waiters in the cafes and restaurants at Trieste, Austria, have gone on strike because of the refusal of their employers to grant their demands for regular wages and the abolition of tips.

TRAGEDY ON A PORCH.

Jealous Lover Kills Former Fiancee and Ends His Own Life.
SPRINGFIELD, Mo., July 27.—Charles Weyley, aged twenty-five, of Norfolk, Mo., late night shot and killed Miss Sheridan, his former sweetheart, at her home here and then shot and killed himself. Miss Sheridan and her sister were returning from a party at the home of Weyley through the doorbell. Miss Sheridan went through the house to the front door, and almost immediately after she was heard. When members of the family reached the spot a minute later both the girl and Weyley had been shot dead by side on the porch. Miss Sheridan had been shot through the heart, while the top of Weyley's head had been blown off. The body of Weyley was found by the family. They had known each other for four years, and had been engaged to be married.

Pier and Warehouse Burned.
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 27.—Fire tonight destroyed the Clydes pier and warehouse, used by the local steamship line. Loss on warehouse and contents, \$5,000.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Occasional Showers and Thunderstorms To-day and To-morrow.
WASHINGTON, July 27.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday:
For Indiana and Illinois—Occasional showers and thunderstorms on Monday; Tuesday, fair; light variable winds.
For Ohio—Showers on Monday; not so warm in central portion Tuesday; fair and warmer; light to fresh south winds.

Local Observations on Sunday.
Bar. Ther. H. W. Wind. Weather. Prev. 7 a. m. 29.94 76 S. S. Cloudy 0.00 7 p. m. 29.90 88 N. S. Th. 0.00
Maximum temperature, 90; minimum temperature, 72.

Comparative statement of the mean temperature and total precipitation.

Temp. Pre.	Normal	Mean	Departure	Departure since Jan. 1.	Departure since July 1.
76.0	63.2	81.0	+17.8	+18.4	+1.6
0.00	0.13	0.00	-0.13	-0.13	0.00

*Rain began at 7:05 p. m.
W. T. BLYTHE, Section Director.

Stations.	Min.	Max.	7 p. m.
Abilene, Tex.	70	82	78
Amarillo, Tex.	61	82	68
Atlanta, Ga.	68	80	72
Baltimore, Md.	66	86	80
Buffalo, N. Y.	60	82	76
Calro, Ill.	72	80	78
Calgary, N. W. T.	48	74	64
Chattanooga, Tenn.	72	84	74
Cincinnati, O.	70	82	78
Cleveland, O.	70	82	78
Davenport, Ia.	66	88	82
Denver, Col.	66	88	82
Des Moines, Ia.	64	80	76
Dodge City, Kan.	64	84	74
Dubuque, Ia.	64	80	76
Duluth, Minn.	62	80	78
El Paso, Tex.	62	80	78
Fort Smith, Ark.	62	80	78
Galveston, Tex.	70	84	74
Grand Haven, Mich.	66	78	70
Grand Junction, Colo.	62	82	68
Havre, Mont.	58	84	80
Helena, Mont.	58	82	80
Huron, S. D.	54	84	80
Indianapolis, Ind.	74	86	82
Jacksonville, Fla.	74	86	82
Kansas City, Mo.	74	86	82
Kanda, Wyo.	48	80	60
Little Rock, Ark.	70	88	84
Louisville, Ky.	72	94	88
Marquette, Mich.	64	74	74
Memphis, Tenn.	70	80	70
Modena, Utah	52	88	84
Montgomery, Ala.	70	88	84
New Orleans, La.	74	86	82
New York City	66	74	72
Nashville, Tenn.	70	86	82
Norfolk, Va.	70	86	82
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